

GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

Agriculture & cooperation – Horticulture – Implementation of Coconut Palm Insurance Scheme with 50% assistance of Coconut Development Board- Approval of the scheme during 2010-11- Orders – Issued.

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AGRICULTURE AND COOPERATION [HORT] DEPARTMENT

G.O.Ms No.51

Dated:30 /03 /2011
Read the following:

- 1) From the Coconut Development Board, Ministry of Agriculture, Kochi Lr No.F1539/2009 –Stat dated 12.10.2009.
- 2) From the Coconut Development Board, Ministry of Agriculture, Kochi Lr No.F1539/2009 –Stat dated 17.06.2010.
- 3) From the Director of Horticulture, Hyderabad Lr No.Fruits/38/2009 dt.21.11.2009 and 14.7.2010.
- 4) From the Director of Horticulture, Hyderabad Lr No.Fruits/38/2009 dt.9.12.2010.

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ORDER:

The Director of Horticulture, Hyderabad in her letters 3rd and 4th read above, has informed that the Chairman, Coconut Development Board, Kochi has informed that the Government of India has approved the Coconut Palm Insurance Scheme for implementation in 2009-10 and 2010-11 on a pilot basis in the selected districts of Andhra Pradesh i.e. East and West Godavari Districts and requested to convey the State Level Administrative approval for implementing the scheme in the State, vide their letter first read above.

2. It is also reported that during the State Level Committee Meeting held on 17.11.2009 it was decided to implement the scheme in Andhra Pradesh in a total area of 5200 ha. i.e. in East [3200 ha.] and West [2000 ha.] Godavari Districts during 2010-11 with financial out lay of Rs.37.31 lakhs [50% Coconut Development Board share of Rs.18.655 lakhs + 25% state share i.e. Rs.9.327 lakhs + 25% farmers contribution i.e. Rs.9.327 lakhs] in which 25% state share is Rs.9.327 lakhs per year, and requested to send proposal to Govt for State administrative approval and for providing necessary budget provision towards 25% of the premium contribution from the State Government payable to the Agriculture Insurance Company of India Limited. (AIC)

3. The main features of the scheme is as follows:

Objectives:

- i) Assist coconut growers in insuring coconut palms, against natural and other perils.
- ii) Provide timely relief to farmers, who suffer income loss due to sudden death of palms.
- iii) Minimize risk and encourage replanting and rejuvenation to make coconut-farming remuneration.

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Applicability:

- a. The insurance scheme is applicable to all healthy nut bearing coconut palms; grown as mono or intercropped; on bunds farms or homestead.
- b. To all varieties of coconut, including Tall, Dwarf and Hybrids with age group of 4-60 years will be covered under the scheme.
- c. Tall variety coconut palms will be eligible for coverage for age range of 7-60 years.
- d. Un healthy and senile palms will be excluded from coverage.

Eligibility Criteria:

Individual farmer / grower offering at least 10 healthy nut bearing palms for insurance in specified age group (4-60 years for dwarf, hybrid and 7-60 years for tall) in contiguous area / plot will be eligible for insurance.

Scope of cover:

Insurance coverage is from 4th/7th year to 60th year and split into two age groups i.e. 4-15 years and 16-60 years, for fixing premium and sum insured.

Risks covered:

The scheme covers following perils leading to death/loss of palm or palm becoming unproductive:

- i) Storm, hailstorm, cyclone, typhoon, tornado, heavy rains.
- ii) Flood and inundation.
- iii) Pest and diseases of widespread nature causing, irreparable damages to palm.
- iv) Accidental fire, including forest fire and bush fire lightening.
- v) Earth quake, landslide and tsunami
- vi) Severe drought and consequential total loss.

Financial implications:

Year	Physical Target in Ha.	CDB share (50%) (Rs. in lakhs)	State's share (25%) (Rs. in lakhs)	Farmer's contribution (25%) (Rs. in lakhs)	Total (Rs. in lakhs)
2010-2011	5200	18.655	9.327	9.327	37.31

Sum insured and premium:

Coconut palm age in years	Sum insured per palm (Rs)	Premium per palm /year (Rs)	Premium per palm (with service tax @ 10.30%)
4 th – 15 th	600	4.25	4.69
16 th – 60 th	1150	5.75	6.35

Premium subsidy pattern:

50% Coconut Development Board

25% State Government

25% Farmers share

Insurance Term: Annual policies.

The procedure of insuring the palms, assessment of damage, claim assessment and settlement procedure and other issues shall be as per the operational modalities given by Agriculture Insurance Company of India Ltd (AIC)

Role of State Government as per scheme:

- Wide publicity to the scheme.
- Motivation of farmers to enroll under the scheme.
- Assessment of extent of damage.

4. Government have agreed the above proposal in principle for the year 2010-11 subject to condition that the share of farmers contribution to be paid by farmers themselves.

5. Government after careful examination of the proposal hereby accord permission to the Commissioner of Horticulture, Hyderabad for implementing the Coconut Palm Insurance Scheme in East and West Godavari Districts in the State during the year 2010-11 in an area of 5200 ha sharing 50% share by Coconut Development Board, GOI, 25% share by the State Govt. and 25% Farmers Contribution to be paid by themselves strictly following the guidelines of CDB and AIC.

6. The Commissioner of Horticulture, Hyderabad shall take further necessary action in the matter.

7. This order issues with the concurrence of Finance [EAC] Department vide their UO NO.20979/353/A2/EAC/10 dt.17.8.2010.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

Dr.CVSK SARMA
APC & PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To
The Commissioner of Horticulture, Hyderabad.
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Copy to PS to M[Horticulture & Sericulture]
Copy to Finance [EAC] Department.
Copy to AIC.
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SECTION OFFICER